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KING COUNTY LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE COMMISSION
FINDINGS OF FACT AND DECISION
PACIFIC COAST COAL COMPANY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

SUMMARY

The King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission designates the Pacific Coast Coal Company Administration Building, 18825 Southeast Maple Valley Highway, Renton, WA, owned by Richard and Rose Schroeder as a King County Landmark.

Property Description: The nominated boundary coincides with the current legal description of the parcel which the building occupies--#1923069026. (The property is located in the southwest quarter of Section 19, Township 23 North, Range 6 East, W.M.)

FINDINGS

The King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission made a positive preliminary determination of significance of the Pacific Coast Coal Company Building at its July 15, 1993 meeting. The decision was based on the likelihood of the building meeting criterion A1 of King County Code 20.62.040 for its association with the growth and development of the coal mining industry in King County. The Commission made the following findings:

1. Coal was the region's principal fuel source in the 19th and early 20th centuries.
2. Coal mining in King County, and throughout Washington State, played a key role in the development of industry, transportation and community development.
3. The Pacific Coast Coal Company, under various corporate names, was a significant presence in the Puget Sound region for over 60 years and at various times owned railroads, shipping lines and industrial plants throughout the West all of which were dependent on coal for fuel.
4. Coal mining operations were active along the Cedar River between Renton and Maple Valley between the 1870s and World War II.
5. The Pacific Coast Coal Company's New Black Diamond Mine (aka Indian Mine) was organized in 1924 and was producing coal by November 1, 1927.

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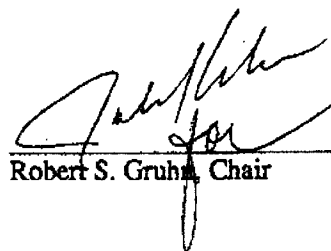
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2. Eligibility for technical assistance from the King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission.
3. Eligibility for historic site marker.
4. Eligibility for application to the Special Valuation tax incentive program.
5. Eligibility for application to the Open Space Special Assessment tax incentive program.
6. Eligibility for application to the Landmark Revolving Loan Program (scheduled for implementation in Fall 1993).

Decision made August 19, 1993.
Findings of Fact and Conclusions filed _____.

KING COUNTY LANDMARKS AND HERITAGE COMMISISON



Robert S. Gruhn, Chair

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